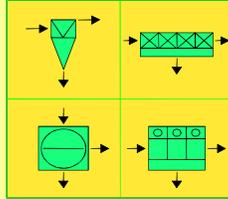


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SEVENTEENTH AUSTRALIAN COAL PREPARATION SOCIETY CONFERENCE

“Same Resource – Different World”

**Brisbane, Queensland
11-14 September 2018**

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Conference Technical Committee invites authors to submit abstracts (maximum 500 words) on any aspect of coal preparation and utilisation to:

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The number of papers will be limited and selected on merit and for the balance of the program. Papers will only be considered on the basis that at least one author will be attending the conference to present the paper. Abstracts must be received by **29th September, 2017**. If you have not received confirmation of receipt of your abstract within one week of submission, please re-send your abstract, attaching a copy of your original outgoing email.

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Safety in Operations & Design	Fine Coal Processing
Coal resource definition and utilisation	Coal Quality and Simulation
New Plants	Asset Utilisation and Management
Upgrades	Materials Handling
Control / Instrumentation	New Technology / Equipment
Coarse and Small Coal Processing	Dewatering, Tailings Handling and Recovery

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Full paper due (MS Word ® format):	5 th January 2018
Comments provided from reviewers:	21 st February 2018
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